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Squaw Peak Recreation Area gets new name

The city Parks and Recreation Board has changed the name of the Squaw Peak Recreation Area in north central Phoenix to the Phoenix Mountains Park and Recreation Area.

The renaming was in response to the Arizona Board of Geographic and Historic Names changing the name of Squaw Peak to Piastewa Peak.

The Phoenix Mountains are the range of peaks in north central Phoenix that include Piastewa Peak, North Mountain and Shaw Butte.

In addition to renaming the recreation area, the board also changed the name of Circumference Trail around the base of Piastewa Peak to Freedom Trail.

Steele Indian School Park offers free concerts

Steele Indian School Park at Third Street and Indian School Road is again hosting the Summer Concert Series with monthly performances through September.

The free concerts will be 8 p.m. at the park's outdoor amphitheater.

The lineup includes: the Big Pete Pearson Blues Band, June 5; Clan/destine, July 10; Barrio Latino, Aug. 7; and Alice Tatum, Sept. 11.

For more information, call 602-495-0739.

Front Porch Bench initiative advances – Mayor Phil Gordon, City Council members and residents recently helped launch the Front Porch Bench initiative by giving away 200 benches to neighborhood leaders, Block Watch captains and other community activists. Through a generous partnership with Home Depot, the city will be giving away 1,000 benches to residents who have given back to their communities. Here Gordon, left, and his chief of staff, David Krietor, deliver a bench to the home of a resident. For more information about the program, visit phoenix.gov, call 602-534-BENCH (2362) or e-mail bench@phoenix.gov.



West Africa culture featured at lunch talk

Erika Amoako-Agyei will share the traditions and culture of the Ghanaian people of West Africa and display her art collection from various African countries at the city of Phoenix Faces of Diversity Brown Bag lunch series noon to 1 p.m. Friday, June 25, at Phoenix City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.

The free series is sponsored by the Phoenix Human Relations Commission and the city's Equal Opportunity Department.

For more information, call 602-261-8242 or 602-534-1557/TTY.

Youth summer bus passes on sale May 17

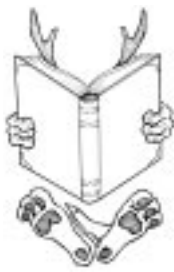
The annual three-month summer transit pass for bus riders age 18 and younger goes on sale May 17.

The Summer Youth Passport gives the holder unlimited access to any local route in the Valley Metro system from June 1 to Aug. 31 for a discounted price of \$46.

To find a participating sales outlet or for additional information, visit ValleyMetro.org or call 602-253-5000 or TTY 602-261-8208.

Join in summer reading program

“Extra! Extra! Read Your Way to the Ballpark,” the free countywide reading program cosponsored by the Arizona Diamondbacks and The Arizona Republic, gets under way Monday, June 7.



Phoenix’s 13 public libraries are among 48 libraries throughout Maricopa County that are participating in the special summer program.

The program, which runs through July 31, is open to all youths from infants to teens. Children who are not old enough to read can participate by having someone read to them.

By reading 20 minutes, 50 pages or one book, participants advance on a colorful game board and earn prizes along the way. Reach the finish line and get a chance to win a ticket to a Diamondbacks baseball game and other cool prizes.

For more information, call 602-262-4636 or visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org.

Job Fair offers variety of services

If you’re looking for a job, be sure to check out the free Valley Employment Partnership Job Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 2, at Mesa Centennial Hall at Mesa Centennial Center, 201 N. Center St. at University Drive.

About 55 employers will be on hand seeking to fill entry- to professional-level jobs in retail, health care, finance, hospitality, customer service, law enforcement and city and state government.

The fair, which is sponsored by Phoenix Workforce Connection, Maricopa Workforce Connections and the Arizona Workforce Connection, in cooperation with the Maricopa Skill Center, will offer computer résumé assistance.

For more information, call 602-262-6776 or visit www.hsd.maricopa.gov/mwc/jobfairs1.htm

Area 12 bulk trash collection

The March issue of Notes contained the wrong date in which the city would begin collecting bulk trash in Area 12. Residents of Area 12 may begin placing bulk trash out for collection on May 22 and the collection will begin May 31. For more information, call Customer Service at 602-262-7251 or send e-mail to pwserve@phoenix.gov.

BOPA events planned for June

Phoenix residents can dispose of household hazardous waste and other items at BOPA collections, 7 a.m. to noon June 10-12 at Hermoso Park, 2030 E. Southern Ave.



In addition to batteries, oil, paint and antifreeze, the event will accept five road tires per resident, computers and household appliances, including refrigerators, stoves, evaporative coolers, air conditioners, washers, dryers and water heaters.

Commercial loads will not be accepted.

The city also will pick up household appliances and computers at your home for a \$10 fee. Call for a collection appointment. For information, call 602-262-7251, send e-mail to pwserve@phoenix.gov or visit phoenix.gov/GARBAGE.

There will be no BOPA events in July or August. The monthly schedule will resume in September with a collection scheduled for 7 a.m. to noon Sept. 16-18 at Hayden Park, 420 W. Tamarisk Ave.

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